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PROJECT PROGRESS:

Putting the focus on our current work and where you can find us.



DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHT:

Focusing on the Technology Team and the processes they've implemented to help us build strong.



INDUSTRY UPDATES:

Diving into the AISC FastFloor Project and Cooper Steel's involvement to help uncover new findings.



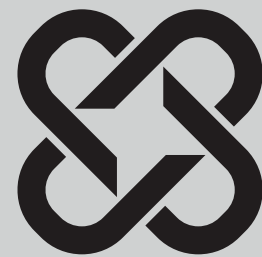
COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

Highlighting recent company events and our impact in the community.



SAFETY SPOTLIGHT:

Employee accomplishments & important information to keep you in the know.



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PROJECT PROGRESS



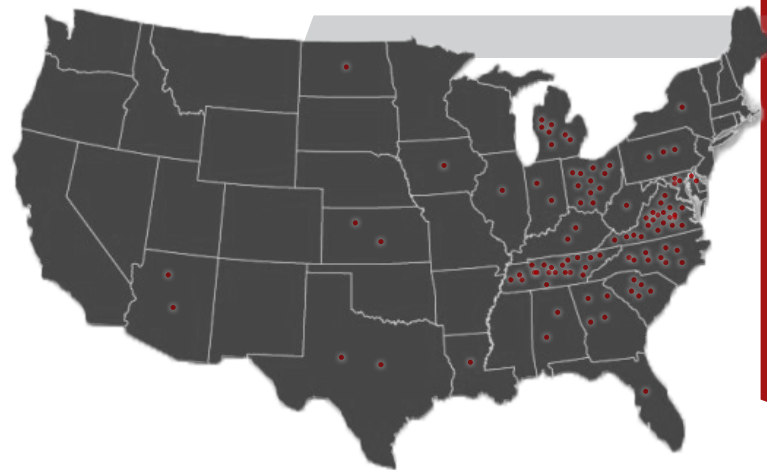
CHRIS CUMMINGS
Chief Information Officer

“ These projects are just the tip of the iceberg for our team. We are extremely grateful for the support and effort from everyone with all of these changes. There are more great changes to come, so stay tuned as we continue to serve the Cooper family. ”

TECHNOLOGY TEAM

Cooper Steel's IT and Technology Operations teams have been busy over the past several months with projects that impact and affect all aspects of Cooper Steel. These teams work closely together to enhance the technology architecture of the company, while increasing efficiency and reaching new heights.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND US



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STATES

34

CITIES

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TEAM



TOM DAWS
IT SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR

Tom has been working at Cooper Steel for a little over four years- making him a veteran in the IT department. Tom is the system administrator and spends a majority of his time working on improving all aspects of the systems across the various networking, security, and enterprise applications.



BEATRICE RYAN
IT SUPPORT ANALYST

Beatrice handles all sorts of issues in our Nashville office, but really excels at managing 300+ iPhones, iPads, and hotspots for all of Cooper Steel. Beatrice is a great team member with a calm and can-do attitude.



BEN SCHOFIELD
IT SUPPORT ANALYST

Ben has been with Cooper Steel for a year and is responsible for keeping Project Managers and Estimators online with good technology and software. With a long history of IT and a background in cyber security, he makes sure all users can work fast and securely ensuring projects can get finished on time. With the ever-expanding field of IT, Ben's drive for constant learning makes him a valuable asset.



THOMAS KILLEBREW
IT SPECIALIST

Thomas manages Cooper Steel's network infrastructure. He configures, maintains, and updates networking equipment for all Cooper Steel offices and job site locations. Thomas recently joined our team, bringing with him four years of experience in the IT and networking field.



ZAC TAYLOR
IT SUPPORT ANALYST

Zac is a primary point of contact for technology issues that arise in the field and in our Shelbyville Office. He works on solving problems with a positive attitude and communicates solutions in a way that is easily understood. Zac operates quickly and effectively when problems arise so his coworkers are able to work smoothly without technological obstacles.

PROJECT SMOKE

2023 FOOD ENGINEERING MAGAZINE'S 'PLANT OF THE YEAR'

Our project in Hatfield, Pennsylvania was recently named the 2023 Food Engineering Magazine's Plant of the Year. We were proud to be a part of the Clemens Food Group facility. This was a group effort and our team was pleased to watch our hard work come to fruition.



JIMMY PIERCE
VP, PROJECT MANAGEMENT

23

WEEKS

524

TONS

330K

SQ FT



CHRIS LEGNON
VP OF TECHNOLOGY

“ The Technology Operations Team is committed to equipping employees with innovative tools that support every aspect of our project management process. It's rewarding to introduce new applications that engage and support our company while remaining competitive in the industry. ”



SENDY NGUYEN
TECHNOLOGY PROCESS MANAGER

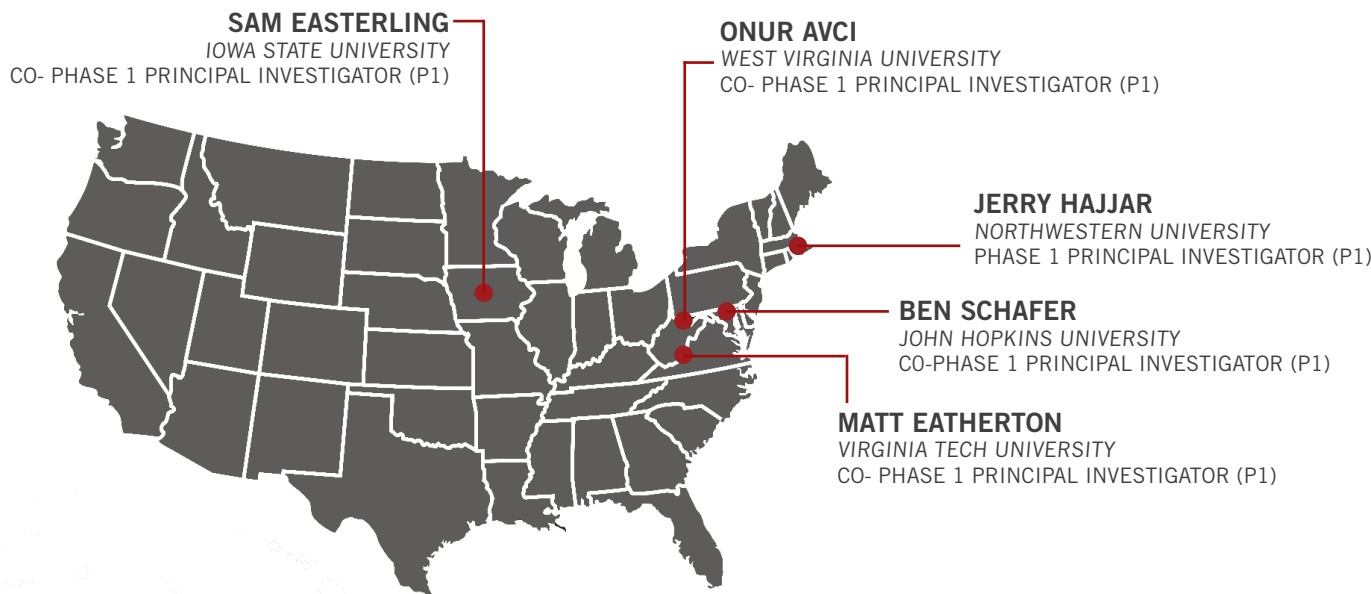
Sendy joined Cooper in February of 2023. Sendy brings over 13 years of professional experience spanning across Financial Operations Management and Healthcare Technology Project Management. In that time, Sendy learned what she enjoyed most was leveraging technology to optimize internal processes; which led to her role in the Technology Operations department, assisting to implement creative solutions that will support continuous improvements to workflows.

AISC FASTFLOOR PROJECT



SAFETY SPOTLIGHT

Cooper Steel Shelbyville is working on a research project for the AISC (American Institute of Steel Construction). The focus of the FastFloor initiative is to develop a modular floor system utilizing readily available steel building products that can be erected 30-50% faster than traditional concrete on metal deck systems. This project is focusing on the multi-story commercial-office market (40 ft. to 50 ft. spans).



ON-SITE SAFETY TEAM:

We've recently hired two additional field safety personnel, allowing us to prepare for increasing job-site demands. Our customers can always count on Cooper to maintain the highest standard of safety in all we do.

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FIELD SAFETY TEAM MEMBERS

“Through continued training, communication, and teamwork, the Field Safety team recognizes and assesses hazards to consistently provide safe solutions; and they do it like no other group I have ever had the pleasure to work with! This team continues to impress me with their professionalism, knowledge, and dedication to ensure that ALL employees on their assigned sites go home safe at the end of each day.”

HEATH MCELROY
DIRECTOR OF FIELD SAFETY

TOTAL ON-SITE SAFETY HOURS:



AISC Member Fabricator, **Cooper Steel**, is fabricating these Specimens, **Nucor** is donating the steel to be used on the modules and **Siskin Steel** is donating the plate processing. At current, the shop drawings for the test specimens are being finalized and material is being sourced to be sent to Cooper Steel for fabrication. The actual testing of these specimens will occur at West Virginia University. The results from this round of testing will reveal a lot about the vibration and acoustical behavior of the system. We are excited to be a part of such a groundbreaking project.

RECENT SAFETY TEAM PROMOTIONS:



BRANDON OWENS
SR. FACILITY SAFETY MANAGER



ANTONIO ZARATE SUBIAS
ASST. ON-SITE SAFETY MANAGER

COOPER CORNER

STAY IN THE KNOW

A TIME TO REFLECT

ABX-1 TOPPING OUT CEREMONY

Our project in Ashburn, VA celebrated the end of the job with a topping out ceremony hosted in Ashburn. The 2,359-ton data center was completed in February and the Cooper Steel team was excited to celebrate with all of our valued partners who were involved.



COOPER STEEL ARENA

Cooper Steel announced that the Calsonic Arena in Shelbyville, TN will be renamed the Cooper Steel Arena. The renaming is partnered with a redecoration and improvements made to the arena including investments into updating the interior and exterior of the facility.



PROJECT JBJ APPRECIATION LUNCH

Our Self-Perform Team has been hard at work at our job site in Murfreesboro, TN! Cooper Steel was able to provide an appreciation lunch to highlight the team and all of their hard work on the project.



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

GTWY Outdoors

GTWY Outdoor Ministries works to guide hunting and fishing trips for special needs children. The Cooper Steel employees raised over \$2,755 and a new bow to donate to the organization as a part of our Christmas giving initiative this year.



Clothe Our Kids Bedford County

Cooper Steel's Shelbyville shop donated to Clothe Our Kids Bedford County through a glove drive that donated over 100 pairs of gloves and \$4,656 to the organization that is working to provide clothes to children in and around the Bedford County community.



East Side Elementary School Bee Bucks

Cooper Steel worked with East Side Elementary school to provide item donations and volunteer time during the Bee Bucks 'store' event for the students at their school. Cooper employees donated over 50 items for students to give to their families this year!



CORY COOPER
CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

“ We are proud to offer a new space to our Nashville team and continue to improve the day-to-day operations. One of the reasons we loved the space was the open-air concept that leads to further team communication. ”

NEW YEAR, NEW OFFICE.

Our Nashville office moved into a new space on the iconic 'Music Row' back in December. The office is home to 60 of our employees and is designed for maximum efficiency and collaboration. Whether you are sending something our way or stopping by for a visit, please make note of our new address.

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